

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
AUGUST 28, 2012**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 28, 2012, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Absent
Board member David Prechtel	Present

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Building Commissioner/Zoning Administrator Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. Two of the three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 14, 2012. Thereafter, a **motion** was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 2-0.

ALZHEIMERS' WALK

Debbie Tobin, representing the Alzheimers Association, asked permission to use the river walk and three shelter houses on October 27, 2012 from 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for a Walk to End Alzheimers.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to allow the Alzheimers Association to use the river walk on October 27, 2012 from 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Motion carried 2-0.

DISTRICT BAND CONTEST

Brian Ketzner, representing the Jasper Band Parents, said Jasper will be hosting the district band competition at Alumni Stadium on September 29, 2012.

He asked permission to close Second Street from the IGA to Clay Street and to close Scott Rolen Drive from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. This year Fifth Street west of St. John Street will be open to two-way traffic.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to approve the Jasper Band Parents' request for the closing of various streets for the band contest on September 29, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. contingent upon the band parents getting a revised map and details to the police and street departments. Motion carried 2-0.

GERMAN EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Mayor Seitz read a request from Sandy Wehr with the Jasper High School German Exchange Program. German exchange students will be arriving in Jasper and they want to host a welcome party on October 14, 2012 at the Jaycee Park shelter house from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wehr asked the City to waive the shelter house rental fee since this is part of our Sister Cities program.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to waive the fee. Motion carried 2-0.

REMINDERS

Mayor Seitz reminded the public that the Strassenfest Committee will have a fireworks display on Saturday night.

He also said the Heartland Half Marathon is scheduled for Sunday morning. He reminded the public there will be about 600-700 participants on various streets.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Seitz read a proclamation proclaiming September 17-22, 2012 as Disabled American Veterans Forget-Me-Not Drive.

REPORTS

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang said the American Testing Center recently did testing on the two aerial trucks and the ground ladders. This is a different company than what was previously used.

Hochgesang said last Monday they did the annual pump testing at Huntingburg. They normally do the testing at Beaver Lake but since the lake does not have water at this time, they had to find a different location.

LIQUID ROAD SURFACE COATING

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle said the street department is always researching and investigating new ways to stretch its paving dollar and to protect the City of Jasper's asphalt and pavement. After much research and consideration, it is the street department's desire to apply "LiquidRoad" which is an asphalt liquid road surface coating to all of Schroeder Avenue, Holy Family Drive and Giesler Road, south of Church Avenue. This surface coating is similar

to seal coating, but is thicker, more durable and designed to wear and last longer than ordinary seal coating.

Eckerle obtained the following quote for the liquid road material and application equipment rental:

Seal Master, Indianapolis, IN	\$ 12,961.48
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Liquid Road is a trademark surface coating provided solely by Seal Master. Seal Master of Indianapolis is the closest sole source provider for this product.

Eckerle recommended accepting this quote. He said if the quote is accepted, they plan to apply this surface coating on September 5, 2012 weather permitting. These streets will need to be closed for one day from approximately 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the quote from Seal Master for \$ 12,961.48. Motion carried 2-0.

MOSQUITO TESTING

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle said the street department did the second round of mosquito testing on August 21-22, 2012. They tested 74 sites. Nothing was found at 7 sites, there were 36 dry sites, and larvae or pupa was found at 31 sites. The 31 sites have since been treated. Eckerle reminded the public that it doesn't take much for mosquitoes to breed. They particularly like stagnant water.

CHIEF TELECOMMUNICATOR

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett said the current chief telecommunicator will be retiring on September 25, 2012. In order to fill the chief telecommunicator position, he asked permission to open up the position internally.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to allow the chief telecommunicator position to be opened up internally. Motion carried 2-0.

REPORTS

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett distributed a copy of the Jasper Police Department July Activity Report for the board members to review.

He thanked the City of Jasper for allowing the county emergency response team for using the house on South Main Street for a training exercise. City Engineer Chad Hurm said this house has since been demolished.

50/50 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the City received a request from Mildred Kavanaugh, 354 W Seventh Street, to participate in the 50/50 sidewalk

replacement program. The total cost of the project is \$ 1,750.00 and Kavanaugh's share is \$ 725.00.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to include Mildred Kavanaugh's sidewalk at 354 W Seventh Street in the 50/50 sidewalk replacement program contingent upon receiving payment. Motion carried 2-0.

TRAFFIC PATTERN STUDY

City Engineer Chad Hurm said he did a traffic pattern study at Second Street and US 231. He submitted a request to INDOT asking that a left turn signal be installed at this intersection. He received a response from INDOT stating they are looking into the matter.

STREET CLOSURE

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the City received a request from Lechner's Inc. to close Clay Street from Second to Third Street tomorrow to cap a sanitary sewer lateral.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to allow Lechner's Inc. to close Clay Street from Second to Third Street on Wednesday, August 29, 2012. Motion carried 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 2-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:41 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved ____ with X without corrections or clarification this 11th day of September, 2012.

Mayor Terry Seitz
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer